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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - JANUARY 19

1. U.S. COVERAGE HOLDS ITS USUAL LEVEL DESPITE BREZHNEV'S
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TULA SPEECH (SEPTTEL) AND REPORTS ON IT WHICH TAKE LION'S
SHARE OF SPACE, INCLUDING POST-SPEECH MESSAGES OF
PRAISE FROM PROVINCES AND FOREIGN PRESS COVERAGE.

--AMBASSADOR TOON'S CREDENTIALS PRESENTATION
GETS STANDARD COVERAGE IN IZVESTIYA BUT MUCH BETTER
THAN USUAL TREATMENT IN PRAVDA WHICH REPORTED ON

BOTH TOON AND PODGORNÝ REMARKS (SEPTTEL).

-- PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA REPORT ON SORENSON
WITHDRAWAL OF HIS NOMINATION AS CIA DIRECTOR.
PRAVDA COMMENTATOR G. VASIL'EV WRITES THAT SORENSON,
WHO HOLDS "LIBERAL VIEWS", WAS OPPOSED BY
SAME LANGLEY AND PENTAGON FORCES WHICH PROPAGATE
MYTH OF "SOVIET THREAT." IZVESTIYA REPORT
STRESSES "LIBERAL" NOMINEE'S RESERVATIONS ABOUT
COVERT OPERATIONS OF CIA, AND THAT PROSPECT OF
WORKING UNDER SORENSON "NOT ATTRACTIVE" FOR CIA
PEOPLE, AND IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES THEY KNEW WHAT
HAD TO BE DONE.

-- PRAVDA'S TOMAS KOLESNICHENKO HAS INAUGURAL
SCENE SETTER FROM WASHINGTON WORKING IN CURRENT THEME OF PENTAGON
HAWKS OPPOSING CARTER.

-- LITGAS CONTRIBUTES TO THEME WITH INTERVIEW OF ARMY
GENERAL A.I. RADZIYEVSKIY WHO ARGUES
AGAINST "HAWKS" IN U.S. WHO ARE TRYING TO JUSTIFY INCREASED
DEFENSE SPENDING BY CITING "SOVIET THREAT" AND SOVIET EFFORTS
IN CIVILIAN DEFENSE.

2. OTHER COVERAGE:

-- PRAVDA HAS SHORT NOTE ON SCHMIDT-ANDREOTTI MEETING IN BONN ON
ITALIAN FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS.

-- PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA REPORT AIR-CRASH DEATH OF YUGOSLAVIAN
PRIME MINISTER BIEDICH IN AIRPLANE CRASH.

-- PRAVDA CARRIES ARTICLE BY HUNGARIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER
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GYULA SZEKER, ON BLOC ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

-- PRAVDA HAS TASS CAIRO ARTICLE CRITICAL OF REPORTED PROPOSAL
OF LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION OF EGYPTIAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WHICH WOULD,
BY REORGANIZING CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF ASC, EFFECTIVELY EXCLUDE LEFT
AND RIGHT OPPOSITION PARTIES FROM ACTIVE POLITICAL LIFE.

-- KZ HAS TASS CAIRO ITEM REPORTING NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SPEECH ON
EGYPTIAN ECONOMIC CRISIS BY DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER FOR FINANCE AND
ECONOMIC MATTERS, ABD AL-MONEYM KAYSUNI (PHONETIC).

-- JAN 19 LITGAZ HAS SARCASTIC ARTICLE BY M. MAKSIMOV CRITI-
CIZING RECENT STATEMENT BY SADAT THAT "IN THIS GAME, U.S. HOLDS
99 PERCENT OF CARDS IN ITS HAND."

-- PRAVDA CONTAINS TASS N.Y. ARTICLE BASED ON WALDHEIM PRESS
CONFERENCE IN WHICH HE ANNOUNCED HIS PLANS FOR TWO-WEEK TRIP
THROUGH M.E.

-- PRAVDA AND KZ HAVE TASS NICOSIA PIECE BASED ON ARTICLE IN
CYPRIOT PAPER HARAVGHI WHICH REPORTEDLY CHARGED THAT VICE-PRESIDENT
ELECT MONDALE WOULD DISCUSS IN BRUSSELS A BRITISH PROPOSAL
TO TRANSFER SBA'S TO NATO OR U.S. HARAVGHI LINKS THIS ALLEGED BEHIND
SCENES ACTIVITY WITH OLD PLANS TO TRANSFORM CYPRUS INTO A "NUCLEAR

BEACHHEAD" OF NATO.

-- V. TYURKIN HAS LENGTHY ARTICLE IN PRAVDA ON NAMIBIAN DEVELOPMENTS. TYURKIN REPEATS STANDARD POSITION ON SWAPO AND ITS "CONDITIONS" FOR PARTICIPATING IN TALKS WITH SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT.

- PRAVDA AND KZ NOTE MEETING IN BULGARIA BETWEEN LUIS CORVATON AND ZHIVKOV.

-- IZVESTIYA PRINTS CARTER MESSAGE TO BREZHNEV, PODGORNYY, AND KOSYGIN THANKING THEM FOR THEIR RECENT CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE ON HIS ELECTION.

-- PRAVDA HAS ITEM BY ITS SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN MEXICO D.F., L. MAKSIMENKO, ON CONSULTATION BETWEEN PANAMANIAN FON MIN BOYD AND MEXICAN AUTHORITIES OVER U.S.-PANAMA NEGOTIATIONS.

-- PRAVDA "COMMENTATOR'S COLUMN" BY A. SERBIN CRITICIZES INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT'S OPEN DOOR POLICY TOWARD FOREIGN MONOPOLIES.

-- V. KALININ WRITES IN PRAVDA ON U.S. MILITARY PRESENCE IN AUSTRALIA (MAP FROM BRITISH "MORNING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STAR" SHOWS 17 U.S. BASES IN AUSTRALIA) AND ON POPULAR DISCONTENT WITH AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT FOR PENTAGON'S EXPANSIONIST PROGRAM IN REGION. TOON

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